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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated March 2, 2006, Applicants submit on a separate page herewith, that section of the Amendment filed January 5, 2006, wherein the Abstract was amended as part of the section entitled "Amendments to the Specification."